

Department of Permitting and Environmental Review State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)

Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

2013 Amendments to King County Development Regulations (Recreational Marijuana)

Date of Issuance:

October 24, 2013

Project:

Adoption of amendments to King County Code Title 21A (Zoning)

The proposal is to amend several different sections of King County's development regulations, including K.C.C. Chapter 21A.06 (Zoning Code Definitions), 21A.08 (Zoning Permitted Uses), 21A.12 (Zoning Density and Dimensions), and 21A.30 (Animals, Home Occupations,

and Home Industry).

The proposed amendments are in response to voter approved Initiative 502 which legalized recreational marijuana in the State of Washington. The amendments address the standards for the location of marijuana-related businesses that are regulated by the

state and located within unincorporated King County.

Location:

Unincorporated King County

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Zoning:

All zones

Community Plan:

All community plans

Drainage Subbasin:

All drainage subbasins

Section/Township/Range: All STR's

Notes:

- A. This finding is based on review of the Environmental Checklist dated October 21, 2013 and other documents in the file.
- B. Issuance of this threshold determination does not constitute adoption of the code amendments. A public hearing before the King County Council will be scheduled to hear public comments and testimony at a future date (estimate November 2013).

THRESHOLD DETERMINATION

The responsible official finds that the above described proposal does not pose a probable significant adverse impact to the environment when viewed in the context of existing regulations and other available authorized mitigations. This finding is made pursuant to RCW 43.21C, KCC 20.44 and WAC 197-11 after reviewing the environmental checklist and other information on file with the Department and considering mitigation measures which this agency will implement as part of the proposal. The responsible official finds this information reasonably sufficient to evaluate the environmental impact of this proposal.

The Department, as lead agency, has determined that the requirements for environmental analysis, protection, and mitigation measures have been adequately addressed within the development regulations and comprehensive plan adopted under chapter 36.70A RCW, and in other applicable local, state, or federal laws or rules, as provided by RCW 43.21C.240 and WAC 197-11-158. This Department will not require any additional mitigation measures under SEPA beyond that which is stipulated by existing codes and regulations.

COMMENTS

King County welcomes your comments on this non-project Threshold Determination. Please be aware that there are no administrative appeals of this SEPA determination. Written comments on this Threshold Determination must be received by King County Department of Permitting and Environmental Review **prior to 4:00 p.m. on November 12, 2013**. For further information regarding the proposed land use policy and policy amendments, please contact Jarrod Lewis at 206-477-0321.

Comment deadline: 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2013

Address for comments: Department of Permitting and Environmental Review

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Responsible Official:

Randy Sandin, Responsible Official

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